

Senate Resolution 1541

By: Senator Ramsey, Sr. of the 43rd

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the congregation of the Epiphany Lutheran Church in  
2 Conyers, Georgia, for their service as a Host Congregation for Family Promise of NewRock;  
3 and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the congregation of the Epiphany Lutheran Church in Conyers, Georgia, has  
5 recognized that poverty is a problem that stems from many sources and requires a  
6 multifaceted response; and

7 WHEREAS, under the divine hands and guiding leadership of Pastor Nathan Hilkert,  
8 Epiphany Lutheran Church has become a Host Congregation for Family Promise of  
9 "NewRock," which is also referred to as the NewRock Interfaith Hospitality Network; and

10 WHEREAS, as a Host Congregation, Epiphany Lutheran Church has committed to providing  
11 lodging, meals, and caring hospitality for homeless children and their families in the  
12 community; and

13 WHEREAS, Epiphany Lutheran Church will provide trained volunteers to serve the guests  
14 in every area of need; and

15 WHEREAS, as a Host Congregation, Epiphany Lutheran Church will provide a person or  
16 persons to serve as a Primary Coordinator to recruit needed volunteers, attend scheduled  
17 meetings, and act as an intermediary between the congregation and the NewRock Interfaith  
18 Hospitality Network; and

19 WHEREAS, Epiphany Lutheran Church is committed to making a one-year commitment to  
20 promoting and publicizing the Family Promise Program within its congregation, promoting  
21 and supporting fundraising events, and to consider budgeting annual contributions to support  
22 the mission of Family Promise of NewRock; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the altruistic service of this fine church  
24 and its numerous contributions to the citizens of this state be appropriately recognized.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
26 commend Epiphany Lutheran Church for supporting Family Promise of NewRock as a Host  
27 Congregation and recognize the amazing impact the selfless service of this church will have  
28 upon countless Georgians in need.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
30 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Epiphany Lutheran Church's pastor,  
31 Nathan Hilkert.